Abstract

5 Carboxylic acid amides of general formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R_2 & R_3 \\
R_2 & N - B \\
R_4 & R_1
\end{array}$$
(I),

which inhibit telomerase and are useful for treating tumour diseases such as carcinomas, sarcomas and leukaemias. Exemplary compounds are:

- 10 (1) trans-3-(naphth-2-yl)-but-2-enoic acid-N-(2-carboxy-phenyl)-amide, and,
 - (2) trans-3-(naphth-2-yl)-but-2-enoic acid-N-(2-carboxy-4,5-dimethoxy-phenyl)-amide.